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Sir:

This is in response to the official action dated July 13, 2001.

Applicant hereby elects the claims of Group I, with traverse, for further examination in this application, i.e. claims 1-43, 45-49 and 53-57.

The requirement is traversed because claim 44 is required by the wording of the claim to be a product produced by the process of claim 1.

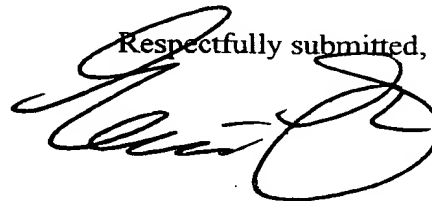
Likewise claims 50-52 are required by the wording of the claims to be products produced by a process according to claim 45.

The Examiner argued that the product as claimed can be produced by a materially different process but, as noted above, this is not so.

In view of the above, reconsideration of the restriction requirement is requested.

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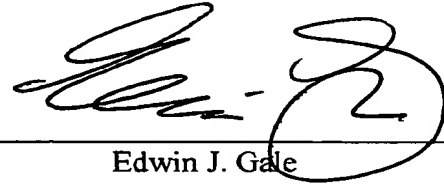
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